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## BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, \$7,500,000.  
Reserve Fund, \$4,500,000.  
Reserve Liability of Prop., \$7,500,000.  
Profits, \$1,000,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.  
Chairman—M. GOSZ, Esq.  
Deputy Chairman—O. D. BOTTOMLEY, Esq.  
Hon. J. BELL LIVING, Esq.  
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Chief Manager, HONGKONG, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.  
Acting Chief Manager, JOHN WALTER, Esq.  
Shanghai, EVERT CAMERON, Esq.  
LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.  
INTEREST ALLOWED.  
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.  
On Fixed Deposits—  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
For 6 months, 4 per cent. per annum.  
For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.

LOCAL BRILLS DISCOUNTED.  
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.  
Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JOHN WALTER, Acting Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, February 26, 1887. 363

## NOTICE.

### RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

- 1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.
- 2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.
- 3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum, or with interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
- 4.—Each depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
- 5.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked *On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business* is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
- 6.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, JOHN WALTER, Acting Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, June 7, 1887. 754

## NOTICES OF FIRMS.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

DURING my Absence Mr. A. S. GARRIT has been appointed Acting Secretary.

By Order, W. H. RAY, Secretary.  
Hongkong, February 19, 1887. 307

## NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY of the late Mr. GEORGE THEODOR SIEMSEN in our Firm ceased on the 24th November, 1886, and that of Mr. PAUL GERHARD HUBB on the 31st December, 1886.  
Mr. JACOB RUFF has been authorized to sign our Firm for Proclamation from this date.

SIEMSEN & Co.  
Hongkong and China, 14th February, 1887. 310

## HONGKONG HOTEL.

NOTICE.

MR. C. M. ROBERTS, formerly with Messrs. ALDERMAN GORDON & CO., London, has been appointed Hotel Manager.

By Order, L. HAUSCHILD, Secretary.  
HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, March 1, 1887. 374

## Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.  
Under the Patronage of Captain DEXTER and Officers of H.M.S. S. Leander.

THE LEO MINSTREL TROUPE OF H.M.S. LEANDER.

will give A PERFORMANCE in the above Hall on SATURDAY EVENING, the 19th Instant.

PRICES OF ADMISSION: Dress Circle and Front Seats, \$1.00. Stalls—Centre Seats, \$0.50. Stalls—Back Seats, \$0.20.

Doors open at 8.30. Commence at 9 p.m. Tickets can be had at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, Limited, where Seats may be secured.

Mr. C. LETHBRIDGE, M.N., Manager.

Lieut. R. BLOMFIELD, R.N., Hon. Sec. & Treasurer.

Hongkong, March 15, 1887. 475

## Intimations.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY General Meeting of the above-named Company will be held at the Registrar's Office of the Colony of Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 24th March, 1887, at 12 o'clock (noon), when the following Resolutions, which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 10th of March, 1887, will be submitted for Confirmation as Special Resolutions.

RESOLUTIONS.

- 1.—That the present Capital of the China Sugar Refining Company, Limited, be increased from \$900,000 to \$1,500,000 by the issue of 6,000 New Shares of \$100 each, to be issued at par.
- 2.—That the price of issue of each of the said new shares be fully paid up by the allottee on the 31st March 1887, together with the sum of \$2 for each share by way of interest on such share from the 1st January, 1887, to the 31st March, 1887, at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum.
- 3.—That the holder of each of the said new shares shall be entitled to participate in the profits of the Company as from the 1st January, 1887, equally with the holders of the present Capital of \$900,000.
- 4.—That the said new shares be offered in the first place in such manner and at such times, as the General Agents shall think fit to the persons who shall, on the 25th day of February, 1887, be the registered holders of the old, or present, shares in the proportion following, that is to say, two new shares shall be offered to every holder of a complete number of three of the said old, or present, shares, and shall be accepted or not within the time limited for that purpose by the General Agents, and that any new share or shares offered in manner aforesaid, and not accepted within the time so limited, and also any share or shares which the General Agents shall have been unable to offer in manner aforesaid by reason of there being no holder, or holders, of a complete number or complete number of three of the said old, or present, shares, shall be disposed of and allotted by the General Agents and Consulting Committee at such times, to such persons, upon such terms, and in such manner and way in every respect as they shall in their discretion think best in the interests of the Company.
- 5.—That the purchase of Inland Lots Nos. 720 and 730, Victoria, Hongkong, at the agreed price of \$60,000 be now formally confirmed and these lands transferred into the Company's name.
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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, China Sugar Refining Company, Limited.

Hongkong, March 10, 1887. 446

## GRIFFITH'S PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIO.

1, DUDDELL STREET, HONGKONG.

OWING TO EXPIRATION OF LEASE, these PREMISES will be CLOSED in March next.

Mr. GRIFFITH requests of those who have favoured him with sittings and desiring more Copies that they will forward him their Orders at earliest date, and he would be glad to Lease suitable Premises in a good Central position.

Hongkong, January 29, 1887. 160

## ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN LIQUIDATION.

PAYMENT OF 4TH DIVIDEND.

A FOURTH DIVIDEND of 64 per cent. on all CLAIMS against the Hongkong Branch of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, that have been approved by the Court of Chancery, will be paid on and after MONDAY NEXT, the 21st February, at the Office of the New Oriental Bank Corporation, Limited.

The 4th Dividend is payable on all Claims on which previous Dividends have been paid.

Creditors are requested to apply to the Bank for their Dividends and to produce the letter they hold from the Official Liquidator, admitting their Claims, in order that the payment of the 4th Dividend may be ensured thereon.

H. A. HERBERT, Attorney for the Official Liquidator, Oriental Bank Corporation.

2, Queen's Road, Hongkong, February 19, 1887. 303

## Business Notices.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. SPECIAL BRAND 'THE MANILAS' CIGARS.

LA PERLA DEL ORIENTE—REINA VICTORIA, BUREVAS, LONDRES, PRINCESAS, DANAS, PERLAS, CORTADO DE LA REINA, REQUENA CHICA, REQUENA GRANDE, NUEVO HABANO EXTRA.

LA INSULAR—No. 2 HABANO'S in 250 Boxes, \$4.00 per Box—(All in perfect condition).

TOBACCOES.

F. & J. SMITH'S, Glasgow—BRIGHT CUT NAVY, FLAKED GOLDEN LEAF HONEY DREW, SON CURRY MIXED MIXTURE, GILGOW MIXTURE, GOLDEN BIRD'S EYE, COPES—GOLDEN CLOUD, SMOKING MIXTURE, GOLDEN BIRD'S EYE, PAOFS—GOLD LEAF PLUG TOBACCO.

CIGARETTES.

MALTA CIGARETTES—KANSAR-I-HIND, STAR OF INDIA.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. call special attention to their Splendid Assortment of PIPES, CIGAR-HOLDERS and SMOKEBEE'S SUNDRIES.

Hongkong, March 1, 1887. 375

## THE BON MARCHE.

(CHEAP MARKET.) ADJOINING THE STAG HOTEL (NEXT DOOR).

CONSISTING OF A STOCK OF FANCY AND USEFUL ARTICLES, At Cash Prices and for Cash only.

WATCHES, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, ALBUMS, KNIVES, CUTLERY, LEATHER GOODS, CLOCKS, and a varied Stock of Fancy GOODS of all kinds.

BON MARCHE, next door to The Stag Hotel. Hongkong, September 8, 1886. 1739

## KELLY & WALSH, LD., HONGKONG.

NEW DANCE MUSIC.

'Leaves and Flowers' Waltz, by C. Deacon. 'Fond Heart' Waltz, by A. G. Grove. 'Evil Heart' Waltz, by J. P. Clarke. 'Our Diva' Waltz, by Liddell. 'Queen of My Heart' Waltz, from 'Dorothy'. 'The Salamander' Waltz, by C. Lowthian. 'Sonnenschein' Waltz, from 'Dorothy'. 'Bellvue' Waltz, by E. Fabrice. 'Let the Sailors' Waltz, by A. G. Grove. 'Phyllis' Waltz, by Bocalossi. 'Our Last' Waltz, by C. Lamotte. 'Dorothy' Waltz, by P. Bocalossi. 'Never to Part' Waltz, by Lili Clay. 'Chatterbox' Polka, by A. H. Moul. 'Jockey' Quadrille, by Hamilton Clarke. 'Dorothy' Quadrille, by P. Bocalossi.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED, HONGKONG. Hongkong, March 12, 1887. 459

## CASH SALE OF WINTER GOODS DURING THIS MONTH.

LAMB'S WOOL UNDERVESTS, PANTS & HOSE. WINTER MERINO UNDERVESTS, PANTS & HOSE.

HAND-KNIT SHOOTING HOSE, CARDIGAN JACKETS, BOOTS, SHOES, GLOVES, &c.

A Large Lot of TWEEDS, much under value, at \$15 per Suit.

ROBT. LANG & Co., QUEEN'S ROAD, (opposite HONGKONG HOTEL).

Hongkong, March 4, 1887. 402

## Victoria Hotel.

Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal HOTELS in the place.

The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East. The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description. An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large DINING HALL.

The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, Reading, Billiard and Smoking Rooms.

The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service. Continental languages are spoken.

Messrs. DORABJEE & HING KEE, Proprietors.

Hongkong, September 16, 1885. 1613

## W. POWELL & Co.

HAVE RECEIVED A NEW STOCK OF GENTLEMEN'S LEATHER PORTMANTEAUS, GLADSTONE'S AND BRIEF BAGS, OVERLAND AND TIN TRUNKS, SARATOGA TRUNKS, TIN HAT AND BONNET BOXES, &c., &c., &c.

W. POWELL & Co. VICTORIA EXCHANGE, March 2, 1887. 384

## CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1886.

CONTRIBUTORS to the above Office are requested to furnish the Underwritten with a List of their CONTRIBUTIONS for the year ending 31st December, 1886, in Order that the DISTRIBUTION OF BONDS may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st day of March INSTANT will be adjusted by the OFFICE, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, March 1, 1887. 376

## HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the Harb. Office, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Underwritten is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 25, 1886. 1493

## Intimations.

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co., Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers, Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths.

NAUTICAL SCIENTIFIC and METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.

VOIGTLANDER'S CELEBRATED BINOCULARS and TELESCOPES.

REPOH'S LIQUID AND OTHER COMPASSES, ADMIRALTY & INRAY CHARTS, NAUTICAL BOOKS.

English SILVER & ELECTRO-PLATED WARE, CHRISTIE & Co.'s ELECTRO-PLATED WARE, GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY, in great variety.

DIAMONDS AND DIAMOND JEWELLERY.

A Splendid Collection of the Latest LONDON PATTERNS, at very moderate prices. 742

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Fourth Ordinary General Meeting of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, Praya Central, on TUESDAY, the 22nd March, at Half-past Three o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 21st March to 5th April, inclusive.

RUSSELL & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 12, 1887. 460

## THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Extraordinary General Meeting of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Harb. Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 24th March, 1887, at 12 o'clock, Noon, to receive the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Account to 31st December, 1886.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 24th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, SAM'L J. GOWER, Secretary.

Hongkong, March 7, 1887. 421

## HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a STATEMENT of Business Contributed during the Half-Year ended 31st December, 1886, on or before the 31st Instant, on which date the Accounts will be Closed.

By Order of the Board of Directors, DAVID GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, March 15, 1887. 470

## SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cost of CLOTHING, BOOKS, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

## For Sale.

FOR SALE.

THE BRITISH STEAMER SOOCHOW.

Capacity 313 Tons, Speed 11 Knots. Thoroughly repaired last month. Terms Moderate.

Apply to HO TIM, Broker, 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, February 4, 1887. 198

## FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts—\$20 per Case of 1 doz. Pints—\$21 " " 2 "

Dubos Freres & de Germon & Co.'s BORDEAUX CLARETS and WHITE WINES.

Baxter's Celebrated 'Barley Drop' WHISKY—\$7 per Case of 1 doz. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, July 18, 1884. 1187

## To Let.

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ROOMS in 'COLLEGE CHAMBERS'.

Apply to DAVID RASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, December 3, 1886. 632

TO LET, in good condition, the comfortable and compact (Eastern) portion of the EIGHT SIDE BUNGALOW, at the junction of NEW WESTERN STREET and HIGH STREET, near to Ball's Court, off the Bonham Road. Water and Gas are laid on. Separate GARDEN, &c.

For Particulars, apply to Mr. HOWARD, next door.

Hongkong, March 1, 1887. 378

## OFFICES—TO BE LET.

AT No. 38, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL, with COMPARTMENTS, ROOMS, and Entrances in STANLEY STREET.

Apply to HONGKONG DISPENSARY, Hongkong, March 14, 1887. 469

## TO LET.

NO. 3, WEST TERRACE. From 1st April.

Apply to G. C. ANDERSON, 13, Praya Central.

Hongkong, March 11, 1887. 457

## Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underwritten has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY,

the 19th March, 1887, at 2 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—

SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., belonging to G. B. SCHOEN, Esq., comprising—

DRAWING and BED-ROOMS SUITES, VIENNA CHAIRS, CLOSET GLASSES, and PICTURES, DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD, WHATNOTS, DINNER, DESERT and BREAKFAST SETS, GLASS and PLATED WARE.

DOUBER IRON BEDSTEAD, DOUBLES and SINGLE WARDROBES with Glass Case, BOOKS, CHEST of DRAWING, CHINA GLASS, TOILET TABLE with GLASS and MARBLE-TOP WARDROBES.

ONE PIANO.

ONE JINKIKSHA, &c.

TERMS of SALE—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 16, 1887. 481

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. G. R. LAMBERT will Sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY,

the 25th of March, 1887, at 3 p.m., on the Company's Premises, at Bowington,—

THE WHOLE OF THE MACHINERY and FITTINGS of the HONGKONG STEAM LAUNDRY COMPANY; Also,

1 HORIZONTAL ENGINE, 1 CORNISH BOILER.

Suitable for Driving the Machinery.

A. O. D. GOURDIN, Secretary, Hongkong Steam Laundry Company, Ltd.

Hongkong, March 5, 1887. 416

## Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.

The Co.'s Steamship 'Thales', Capt. GORDAN, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 18th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPIRAK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 15, 1887. 473

## OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.

(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW, OHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Co.'s Steamship 'Titan', Captain TILAN, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 18th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, March 16, 1887. 478

## STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI AND KOBE.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship 'Teheran', will leave for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 18th March, at Daylight.



The S. S. Ave., with the FRENCH MAIL of February 11th, was to leave Saigon on

The China Shippers Mutual S. N. Co. steamship *Chingwo*, from London, leaves Shanghai on 15th inst. and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 20th inst. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on Jan. 4th.

The Ben Line steamer *Bentwaters*, from Glasgow and London, left Singapore on the 13th inst., and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 19th inst.

The Shire Line steamer *Glamorganshire* left Singapore on the 12th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 19th inst.

The D. D. R. steamer *Hesperia* left Singapore on the 15th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 22nd inst.

The D. D. R. steamer *Hesperia* left Singapore on the 17th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 24th instant.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd S. S. Co. steamer *Batani* left Bremen on the 10th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 27th March.

**THE SHIP-PAO** says that junks are fitting out at Amoy to import opium direct from

**THE LEO MINSTREL TROUPE** have decided to make their entertainment on Saturday evening a smoking concert.

**MESSRS JAMESON & Co.** inform us that the D.D.R. steamer *Hesperis*, Capt. Christian, sent, left Singapore to-day, at 3 p.m., and may be expected here about the 4th inst.

**A RUSSIAN** from the man-of-war *Djura* was arrested by the military authorities at Fort Palmer, Singapore, for trespassing on the Fort on the 8th inst. The *Strait Times* says he hears he is to be brought before the Magistrate on a charge of trespass.

The man said he was a butler on board the ship, but his manner and appearance seemed to show him to be above that station.

Masses Tung Kee & Co. issued the following excellent specimen of English as she wrote 'this forenoon':—S.S. *Decima* having arrived from the above port (Bangkok) all consignee's letters kept by the 'supercargo' being lost on board, which may cause some Drafts in.

'Now we beg to inform consignees of the cargo to make their guarantee and to take delivery of their cargo immediately.'

After the exciting scenes of the last few days there was rather a dearth of important

A more enjoyable and thoroughly successful quadrille party was given in the Congress building last night (St. Patrick's Eve) by the Warrant Officers, Staff Sergeants and Sergeants of the Royal Artillery, Royal Engineers and Garrison Staff. The interior of the building

had been converted into a very comfortable little ball-room and ante-rooms, the ordinary gloomy appearances being entirely dispelled by a plentiful display of brightly coloured flags, wreaths of evergreens and Japanese lanterns. The ball-room itself was located in the general landing, a room though rather small made an excellent dancing room. Flags were draped round the entire walls, with here and there save-the-lines of rhymes appropriate to the occasion, while the pillars and stair railings were relieved by wreaths of evergreens. The ante-rooms were also very tastefully decorated, and card-rooms and a refreshment bar were also provided. Dancing began about nine o'clock, and shortly afterwards H. E. Major General Cameron, the Misses Cameron and party arrived, the latter taking part in the dancing for some time. Occasionally the room was rather overcrowded for comfortable dancing, though being between 30 and 40 couples on the floor at one time; but this little drawback did not seem to prevent all the enjoyer themselves thoroughly. Cap music was supplied by a small contingent from the Band of the Northamptonshire

and dancing was actively kept up until midnight, when, a short cessation being made, the last dance being the Irish Lancers, or the Lancers to Irish tunes. At the conclusion, three hearty cheers were given for St. Patrick, in whose honour the dance was in a certain sense given. After a short interval, dancing was resumed with renewed energy and vigorously kept up for some hours. The hosts, more especially the Committee, were assiduous in their attentions to their guests, and everything went merrily from beginning to end, reflecting credit on those who made the arrangements, and affording much pleasure to all who were present. The arrangements were in the hands of the following Committee:—Garrison Sergeant, Major Meredith, St. Patrick's Sergeant, Adams; Quartermaster, Sergeant White, R.E., and Sergeant Miller, R.E. (Masters of Ceremonies); Quartermaster, Sergeant Hyman, R.E.; Sergeant Porter, O.S.D.; Sergeant Warren, R.E.; Sergeant Atlee, R.E.; Colour-Sergeant, Tipton, C. and T. Staff; Warrant Officer Watson, A.P.D., and Sergeant Whiteall, M.S.







